

REMARKS

In the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed January 22, 2009 the Examiner noted inconsistencies in the status of claims 76–91. In this Response to Examiner’s Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment, Applicants have provided the proper status indicators for each of the pending claims. In particular, claims 76–83, 90 and 91 are now identified as “Withdrawn” and claims 84-89 are identified as “Previously Presented.”

Fee Authorization. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to change any fees associated with this communication to our Deposit Account No. 500869.

CONCLUSION

Applicants respectfully submit that the pending claims are now in condition for allowance and thereby solicit acceptance of the claims as now stated.

Applicants would welcome an interview, if the Examiner is so inclined. The undersigned can ordinarily be reached at his office at (650) 712-0340 from 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. PST, Monday through Friday, and can be reached at his cell phone at (415) 902-6112 most other times.

Respectfully submitted,

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